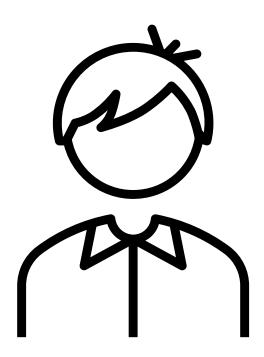


New Assessment Coordinator Workshop: SD English Language Proficiency Assessments

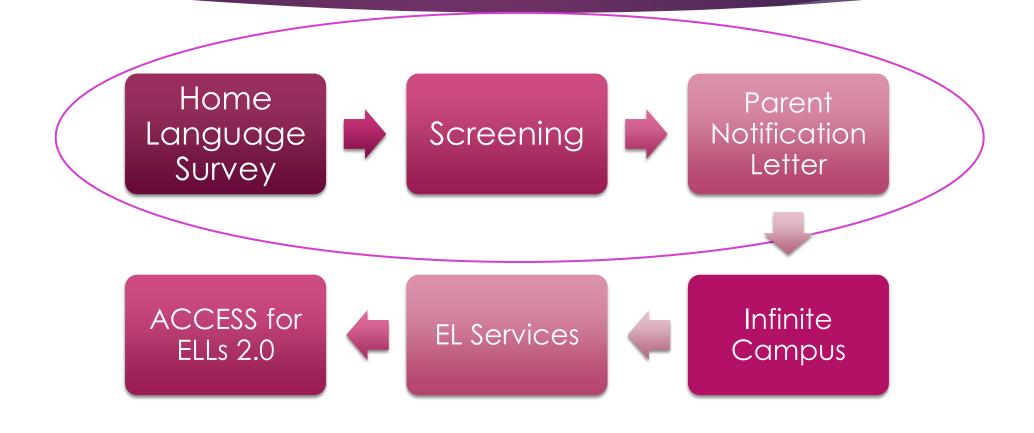
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Who are English Learners (EL)?

EL Definition



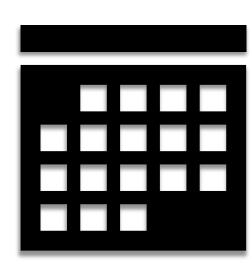
Identification Process



Identification Process

▶ 30 calendar days at the beginning of the school year

Two weeks throughout school year



WIDA

- 41 member states
- English language proficiency assessments
- English language proficiency standards
- Professional Development





Anchored in WIDA ELD Standards

Language Domains









LISTENING SPEAKING

READING

WRITING

Purpose of WIDA Screeners

- ▶ Identifies if student is EL or not
- Programmatic placement decisions
- Not an interim assessment
- ► Given once

WIDA Screening Assessments

WIDA Screener for Kindergarten

- ► First semester KG students first semester 1st grade
- Paper-based
- Administered one-on-one
- Locally scored

WIDA Screener ONLINE Grades 1-12

- Second semester first grade 12th grade
- Online
- Can be administered in groups
- Speaking and Writing domains locally scored

Off-Grade Clustering for WIDA Screeners

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WIDA Screener Training Requirements

- Complete Training Course in Canvas for the assessment you are administering AND:
- Complete ACCESS/Screener Speaking Quiz Grades 1-5
- Complete ACCESS/Screener Writing Quiz Grades 1-5
- Complete ACCESS/Screener Speaking Quiz Grades 6-12
- ► Complete ACCESS/Screener Writing Quiz Grades 6-12
- Complete WIDA Screener for KG: Oral Language
- ► Complete WIDA Screener for KG: Literacy

- Quizzes must be passed with an 80%
- Annual Requirement
- Complete quiz that corresponds with grade you are screening



Families

My Child is an ELL 1: What does it mean to be an English Language Learner?

Video

This video explains the different kinds of language students use and need to be successful in and out of the classroom, with a focus on academic language.

Access Resource

Resources

An English language learner, or ELL, is a student who has extra support learning English in school. There are 4.9 million ELLs in the United States.*



*In 2016, according to the National Center for Education Statistics

Identifying a student as an ELL



 You answered questions about the languages you use at home.



 A test measured your child's academic English skills in listening, reading, speaking, and writing.



 Your child can have instruction in English, in addition to other classes

ELLs take an academic English language test every year. Test information helps teachers plan how best to teach your child. Test scores also help teachers know when your child can stop receiving English language support. You can use test information to advocate for your child at school. Talk with your child's teachers about:

- · When you will receive test scores and how to track your child's progress.
- · How you can support your child's language learning at home.
- · How support changes as your child builds academic English language skills.
- · When students stop receiving English language support.

Questions you can ask

- What are the goals for my child?
- · How does learning English fit with other skills my child is learning?
- How do you include students' languages and cultures at school?

Ask about English language learning at your child's school. Students are tested every year, but you have the right to accept or decline language support.



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Purpose of Annual WIDA Assessments

A suite of secure, large-scale, summative English language proficiency assessments

Measures English language proficiency

▶ Taken annually by identified EL students

WIDA Annual Assessments

Kindergarten ACCESS

- Kindergarten students
- Paper-based
- Administered one-on-one
- Locally scored

ACCESS for ELLs Paper

- ► Grades 1-12
- Paper-based
- Speaking domain locally scored
- ▶ Colony Schools

WIDA Annual Assessments

Alternate ACCESS for ELLs

- ELs with the most severe cognitive disabilities
- Paper-based
- Administered one-on-one
- ▶ Locally scored

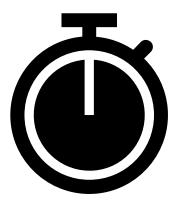
ACCESS for ELLs ONLINE

- ► Grades 1-12
- Computer-based
- Staged adaptive
- ▶ No local scoring!
- Colony Schools

WIDA Annual Assessment Training Requirements

- Complete Training Course in Canvas for the assessment you are administering AND:
- ACCESS Kindergarten Quiz
- ACCESS ONLINE Administration Quiz Grades 1-12
- Alternate ACCESS for ELLs Quiz
- ▶ If administering PAPER ACCESS for ELLs Grades 1-12 refer to WIDA Screener training requirements

- Quizzes must be passed with an 80%
- Annual Requirement
- Complete quiz that corresponds with assessment you are administering



Technology

- Technology needs to be updated or downloaded
- Important to work with Technology Coordinators
- WIDA Screener ONLINE & ACCESS for ELLs ONLINE have the same technology requirements

Technology Resources: Share with Technology Coordinators!





Technology Coordinators

The documents linked on this page help you prepare the technology required for administering ACCESS for ELLs Online and WIDA Screener Online for the 2020-21 testing season

Preparing for Testing

2020-2021 QA Webinar Schedule for Technology Coordinators

ACCESS for ELLs and Screener Headset Specifications

Technology Troubleshooting Tips 2021-22

Technology Readiness Checklist for WIDA Online Assessments

Online Testing Network and Troubleshooting Evaluation

Supported System Requirements for ACCESS for ELLs and Screener, June 2021-October 2021

Chrome OS Device Support 2021-22

Preparing Devices Used for Virtual Instruction for DRC INSIGHT Online Testing

Setting Up Testing Software

Tech Bulletin: MacOS All-in-One Device Installation

Tech Bulletin: Windows All-in-One Device Installation

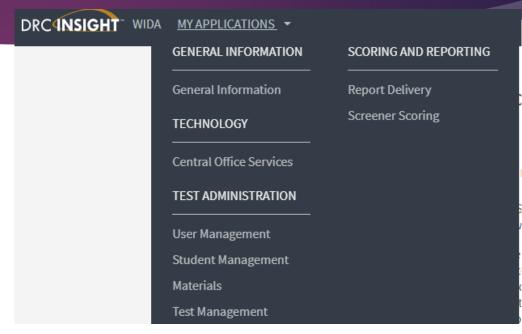
Tech Bulletin: Extended Retries

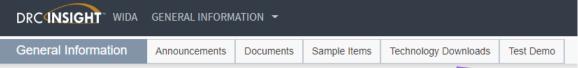
Additional Resources

Technology User Guide (TUG)

Coordinating Testing in WIDA AMS

WIDA AMS User Guide







WIDA Secure Portal

- Assessment information
- Training course & quizzes
- User management
- Educator resources
- Parent/family resources
- Materials downloading





The WIDA Secure Portal will be down for a planned upgrade beginning Tuesday, August 31 at 3pm CST until Wednesday, September 1 at 7am CST. The portal will be unavailable during this time so that WIDA can launch the <u>redesigned portal</u>.

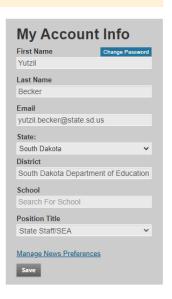
My Account & Secure Portal





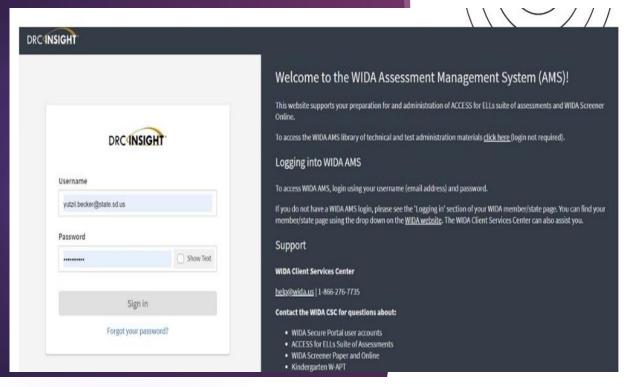
Screener Test Materials & Training





WIDA Assessment Management System (WIDA AMS)

- Assessment administration
- Student management
- Test ticket management
- Score reports
- Scheduling test sessions



Entrance Criteria

What score deems a student eligible for EL services?

See identification criteria handout

Testing Window

Testing Dates

1/3/22-2/25/22	WIDA AMS test setup available for test sessions
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1/10/22-1/11/22 Districts receive test materials

1/10/22-2/18/22 Additional test materials ordering window in AMS

1/24/22-2/25/22 Test Window

3/4/22 Deadline for shipping completed test materials to DRC

4/29/22 Districts receive reports - Online

5/5/22-5/6/22 Districts receive reports - Printed

Resources

- ► Home Language Survey
- Parent Notification Letter
- ► Identification Criteria
- WIDA Screener Training Requirements
- ► WIDA ACCESS Training Requirements

Infinite Campus

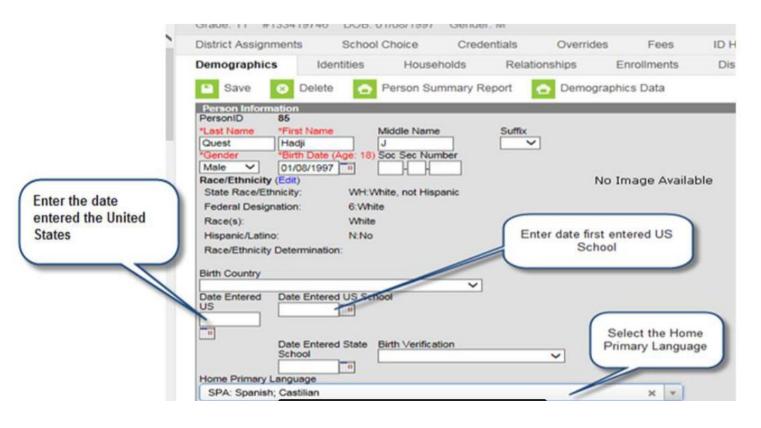
► English Learner

First Year in Country



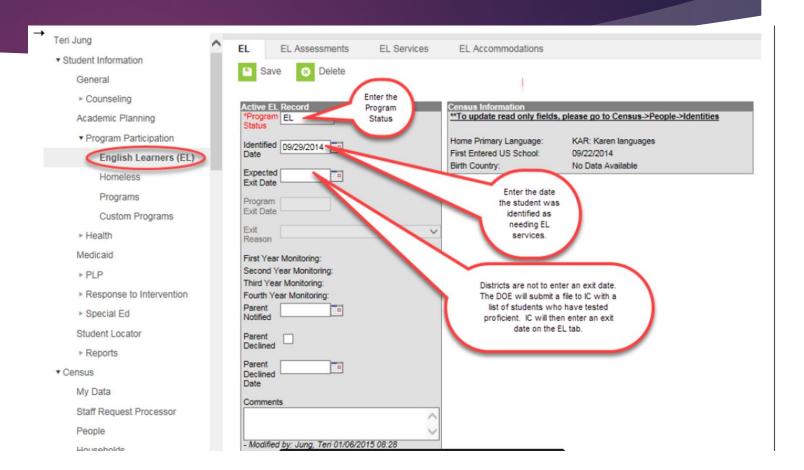
Creating EL Record

- Only create if student qualifies for EL program through the WIDA Screeners
- Home Primary Language must be populated before EL record can be created



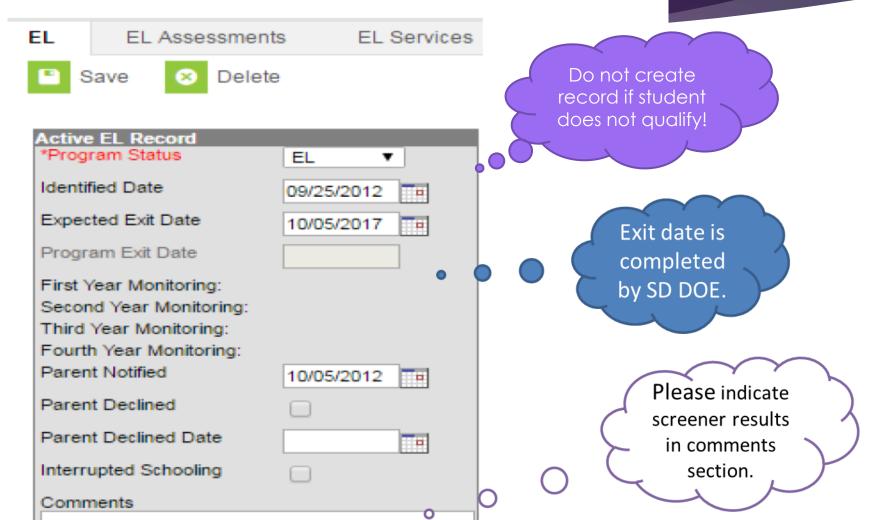
Creating EL Record

- ▶ Infinite Campus Path:
- Student Information
- Program Participation
- English learner



Creating EL Record

EL- English Learner



First Year in Country Criteria

- Must be an identified EL student
- ► Have been enrolled in one of the 50 States in the United States or the District of Columba for less than 12 months
- Must participate in ACCESS for ELLs
- If student is not enrolled during the ACCESS window, evidence that screener was given must be present
- Entered between May 2, 2021- May 1, 2022

First Year in Country Data Elements

- Infinite Campus Path:
- Census
- People



First Year in Country

Why is this important?

- ▶ If the student meets the first year in country definition, they are:
- Exempted from the 2022 administration of the ELA portion of the South Dakota ELA Assessment
- Student participates in SD Math and SD Science
- Scores are used to measure all assessed and not proficiency

Additional Resources



English Learners in South Dakota:



Identification & Screening Manual

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English Learner Data Elements in Infinite Campus

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Upcoming Webinars

September 1 @ 3:00 p.m. CT

WIDA Screener for Kindergarten

Register

September 2 @ 3:00 p.m. CT

WIDA Screener Online Grades 1-12

Register



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